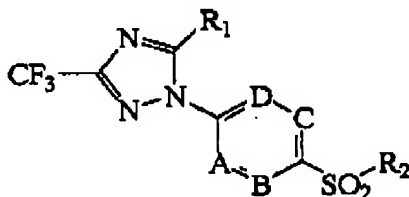


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A 1,2,4-triazole derivative represented by formula 1:

Formula 1



wherein:

R₁ represents naphthyl, indolyl, benzofuranyl, benzothienyl, benzimidazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzotriazolyl, benzooxazolyl, quinolinyl, or isoquinolinyl; wherein, R₁ is optionally substituted at a substitutable position with one or more radicals independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ haloalkoxy, cyano, amino, monoalkylamino, and dialkylamino indolyl substituted with C₁-C₆ alkyl;

R₂ represents methyl or amino; and

A, B, C, and D each independently represent carbon or nitrogen; or a non-toxic salt thereof.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The 1,2,4-triazole derivative according to claim 1, which is selected from the group consisting of:

1-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-5-(naphthalene-2-yl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1H-1,2,4-triazole;

5-(benzofuran-2-yl)-1-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1H-1,2,4-triazole;

2-[2-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-5-trifluoromethyl-2H-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl]-1H-

indole;

1-methyl-2-[2-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-5-trifluoromethyl-2H-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl]-1H-indole;

1-methyl-3-[2-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-5-trifluoromethyl-2H-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl]-1H-indole;

2-[2-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-5-trifluoromethyl-2H-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl]-quinoline; and

4-[5-(naphthalene-2-yl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,2,4-triazole-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide; and

~~5-methanesulfonyl-2-[5-(naphthalene-2-yl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,2,4-triazole-1-yl]-pyridine;~~

or a non-toxic salt thereof.